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- 1. WISH TO STRESS THAT HOLT VISIT NOT DIRECTLY CONNECTED WITH S&T AGREEMENT NEGOTIATIONS DISCUSSED REF B. TRIP SEPARATELY PLANNED IN CONNECTION WITH STANDING NSF EFFORT TO IDENTIFY AREAS SUITABLE FOR INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION. HOWEVER, AS INDICATED REF B HIS PRESENCE SHOULD BE USEFUL IN FACILITATING PREPARATIONS FOR SUCH NEGOTIATION.
- 2. PRINCIPAL PURPOSES OF HOLT TRIP ARE: A) TO EXPLAIN NSF PROCEDURES FOR DEALING WITH PROPOSALS FOR JOINT RESEARCH;
 B) TO IDENTIFY AND ESTABLISH CONTACT WITH INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANIZATIONS IN PHILIPPINES WITH AUTHORITY FOR DECISIONS ON CONDUCT AND FUNDING OF RESEARCH PROGRAMS; C) TO IDENTIFY PRIORITIES ESTABLISHED BY GOP FOR SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH D) TO OBTAIN BACKGROUND ON PHILIPPINE SCIENTIFIC CAPABILITIES AND LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ANALYZE AREAS MOST SUITED FOR IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION FOR

JOINT RESEARCH. OF PARTICULAR INTEREST ARE BASIC SCIENCES, WHICH ARE AREA OF PRINCIPAL NSF ACTIVITY.

3. APPOINTMENTS ARE REQUESTED WITH GOP OFFICIALS WHO WOULD BE INVOLVED IN PROJECT APPROVAL, AND WITH SCIENTISTS WHO COULD PROVIDE BASIS FOR EVALUATION OF PHILIPPINE SCIENTIFIC CAPABILITIES IN FIELDS OF GREATEST PROMISE. HOLT VISIT WOULD COMPLEMENT THAT OF BUREAU OF STANDARDS GROUP IN THIS REGARD. HOLT WOULD ALSO HOPE TO HAVE BENEFIT OF INFORMATION AND ANALYSIS AVAILABLE IN RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS RAISED REF B. KISSINGER

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